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September 15, 2009

To Whom it May Concern:

L-009-001

I am writing this letter in order to express some of my concerns for the proposed Transmission Line through Costilla County and the Blanca / Ft. Garland Metropolitan District. Although the majority of the impact will be on Northern Costilla County, the benefit is not directly linked to the Communities that it will impact. The pristine views and environment are the only things we can truly be proud of in this economically depressed region of Colorado.

L-009-002

As Director of the Blanca / Ft. Garland Metropolitan District, many individuals, pro and con have spoken to me about this proposed project. On one hand we see the importance of infrastructure, development, and growth in the San Luis Valley. One the other hand we see the impacts to our environment, health and safety, tourism, and property values.

Please understand that what we are wanting to do is educate the public on the numerous options and solutions that have been looked at, and possibly some that have not been explored. Please do not move so fast that we do not explore all these options.

My concern is that our community is already seeing individuals positioning themselves on one side or the other and I don't believe this needs to happen. What I believe we need is that as a community we look at all our options, then support one plan that will build our Community, not drive a wedge into it.

L-009-003

The question of how this transmission line will impact our property values is a question that I still have not received a clear answer to. Will Tri State pay for a right of way? This will effect the assessed valuation that ultimately will effect our revenue. I also understand that our farming community is very interested in infrastructure that will assure them that they have the energy they need to address their needs. Let's make sure that this happens, with everyones input and ideas.

I believe that education is the key to a sound solution for our Community. Please be advised that we will make every attempt to assist anyone who has the best interest of our Community at heart. Good luck and I look forward to working with all of you in finding a positive solution to this very important matter.

Sincerely,

L-009-001: Socioeconomic Resources (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to social and economic resources from the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.

L-009-002: Environmental Consequences (In Review)

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